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The Office of the General Counsel  
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Dear Ms. Dixon

With the complexity of the new campaign finance reform laws, all candidates and parties appear to be making a best-effort to comply with the laws set forth by the Federal Election Commission. As a result, a complaint filed by the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania would only be sent in a scenario where a violation is documented and obvious.

In the 17<sup>th</sup> United States Congressional District, Mr. Russ Diamond is on the ballot and actively running for the United States Congress. Simultaneously, Mr. Diamond is on the ballot for the 101<sup>st</sup> State Representative seat in Pennsylvania.

Running for a state office in Pennsylvania permits Mr. Russ Diamond from taking unlimited contributions from individuals. Due to the very different donation limits, strict discretion and reporting must take place to show that the two campaign accounts are not being used as one.

Mr. Russ Diamond has not filed revenues or expenditures with the Federal Election Commission. Mr. Diamond has, however, filed his State Representative Campaign Committee with the Pennsylvania Department of State as:

**Diamond, Russ – RussDiamond.org (#2003326)**  
**109 W. Main St.**  
**Annaville, PA 17003-1372**  
**Treasurer: Lori Kimmel**

Recently, at a community event, outside of the 101<sup>st</sup> State Representative district, Mr. Russ Diamond was distributing "Diamond for Congress" flyers for his United States Congressional campaign. On his flyer for the 17<sup>th</sup> United States Congressional Campaign, he lists his disclaimer as "Authorized by Russ Diamond, Paid for by russdiamond.org".

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As we know, "RussDiamond.org" is Mr. Diamond's campaign committee in which he raises funds for his Pennsylvania state representative race. We also know Mr. Diamond is eligible to raise unlimited amounts of non-corporate donations for this "state" political action committee. With this in mind, paying for United States Congressional materials out of the State Representative Campaign Committee account is a direct violation of federal dollar expenditures.

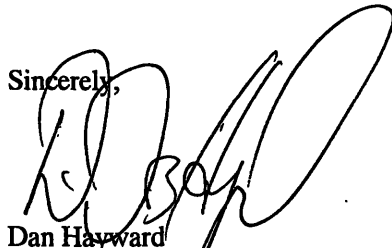
In addition to the campaign flyer, questions have been raised about his campaign website which touts both his campaign for the 17<sup>th</sup> United State Congressional District and his 101<sup>st</sup> State Representative race which also contains the paid for by russdiamond.org disclaimer. It has been brought to my attention that his office on 109 W Main St, Annville PA is also being used to run both campaigns.

With the recent information of Mr. Russ Diamond's use of non-federal dollars to pay for United States Congressional campaign material, it is our request that the Federal Election Commission look into the revenue and expenditures of Mr. Russ Diamond.

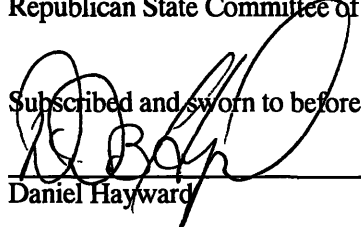
Attached is a copy of the flyer that Mr. Russ Diamond is using for his United State Congressional campaign. Below the summary section, the disclaimer clearly shows that Mr. Russ Diamond is using his State Representative Campaign committee to purchase United State Congressional material.

Thank you for your time regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



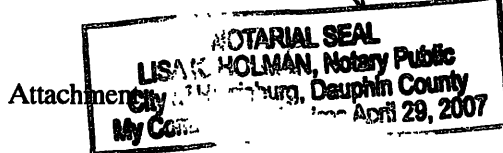
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 20 day of Dec, 2004.

Daniel Hayward

*Lisa K. Holman, Notary Public*



Attachment

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leaders can focus their attention on domestic issues and equal treatment of all Americans

By providing foreign aid from public funds, we risk entering entangling treaties with unintended - and undesirable - side effects.

By providing corporate aid from public funds, we allow a privileged few to benefit unfairly from the labor of all Americans.

## 7. We must immediately steer our nation toward energy independence.

The lessons of the oil embargo of the 1970's have been forgotten by our elected officials and the American people are only beginning to pay the price.

Congress must do everything within its Constitutional powers to encourage our scientific community, in concert with private industry, to develop safe and clean renewable energy resources and bring them to market

Congress must also de-emphasize federal spending on highways serving individual vehicles and encourage privately held fuel-efficient mass transportation alternatives.

## 8. We should immediately cease passing federal tax dollars to state and local projects.

Such projects deserve the benefits of community incentive, individualized planning and local funding. The effectiveness of any federal dollars collected for state and local projects is greatly diminished by the cost of wasteful federal administration.

At most, the federal government should provide a data clearinghouse and information resource where state and local governments can search for blueprints of successful similar projects.

## 9. Congress must enact a permanent freeze on all non-relative legislative amendments or riders.

All matters before Congress should be single-issue bills. Every issue should come before Congress on its own merit.

Senators and Representatives will be less pressured into voting for sound policy with questionable amendments - or bad policy with favorite pork projects attached.

## 10. Congress must take whatever steps necessary to require a two-thirds majority for approval of any federal spending.

This will naturally bring about only those appropriations most beneficial to all Americans, because they are supported by a

clearer majority of our Representatives and Senators in Congress

## 11. Congress must encourage the States to adopt a nationwide Primary election day, grant equal ballot access rules for all and require a certifiable record of all votes cast in elections.

Congress should also encourage the States to adopt a unified polling schedule for national elections where no region's polls are opened or closed before another's

Congress should declare both Primary Election Day and General Election Day a holiday to encourage the participation of all Americans.

## Summary

By following these steps, our federal government will naturally become more streamlined and effective at protecting the life, liberty and property of all Americans as dictated by the Constitution.

Some opponents may say things just aren't this simple. They will say this because they personally benefit from the excesses of our current system and have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo.

Just as the powers of government can only be assigned through a mandate of the people, the finances of government must be in direct correlation to the ability of the governed to prosper individually.

With an understanding that Big Government is not always the best solution - and in fact usually only compounds our problems by increasing the burden for working Americans - we can once again allow prosperity and liberty to spread across our nation

Establishing these foreign policies will go far in establishing a lasting Peace. Establishing these economic policies will go far in insuring renewed Prosperity. America would once again be the envy of the world - a beacon of hope that guides other nations by example, not force, and provides its citizens with real opportunities to succeed.

Together, Americans have built the greatest nation of the modern era. Together, Americans have achieved goals that were once unimaginable.

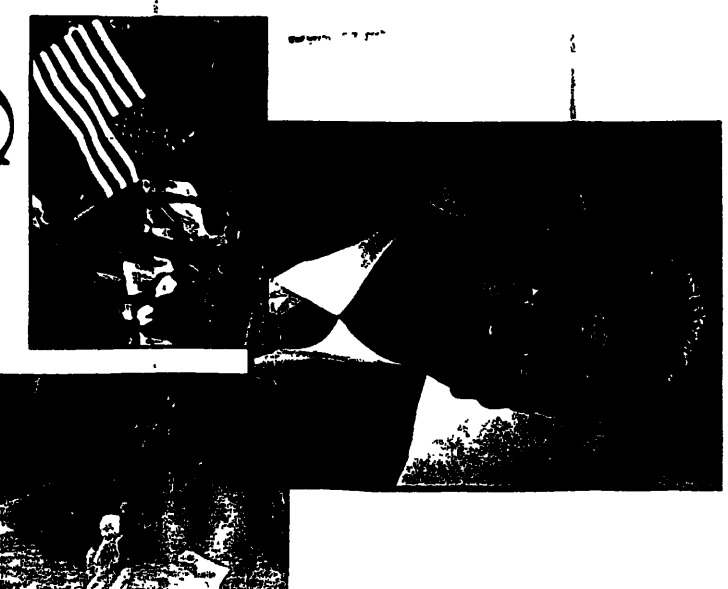
Together, we can restore the City On The Hill.

For more information, please visit

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for  
**Congress**  
17th District

*Restoring the  
City on the Hill*

A Plan for  
Peace and Prosperity

## Introduction

Not too long ago, America stood as a shining example of freedom and prosperity for all other nations to emulate. People of nearly every nationality clamored to set foot on our shores and weave themselves into the fabric of our society.

Americans were encouraged to plot their own course and reap the fruits of their labor. Such free market capitalism built the greatest, most industrious nation of the modern era. From it sprang the benefits of technological wonders, world-class education, excellent health care and the highest standard of living in the world.

Those who succeeded exhibited a distinctly American pride in their individual accomplishments. Those who didn't were encouraged to pull themselves up by their bootstraps, learn from their experience and try again.

Often, success stories were built on the lessons of previous failures. Just as regularly, those who succeeded became pillars of their communities, contributing vast amounts to compassionate local charities, with a grateful understanding - and first hand knowledge - of the struggles on the road to success.

In America, everyone could seize the opportunity to control their own destiny and enjoy the liberty of pursuing their goals. People abandoned their own homelands to come to America. We were the envy of the world. - The City On The Hill - a beacon of hope for the downtrodden and alienated masses.

But times have changed in America. Our nation has become something vastly different. Other nations now view us as belligerent and meddlesome. They resent our intrusion into their affairs. We have given rise to tyrants and chaos overseas. That chaos has in turn given rise to private mercenaries willing to die and destruction to our homeland.

The opportunity for success in America has been greatly diminished. The value of individual labor - the main ingredient of unparalleled American excellence - has been undermined, marginalized and devalued. The incentives to succeed are disappearing. The American Dream, once available to virtually every person, has been pushed out of reach for many.

Our nation is at the mercy of a staggering amount of debt and burdensome taxation - and without any plan to effectively reduce or eliminate either. The very existence of a national debt is evidence of promises that should never have been made against the labor of future generations. Repaying this debt is nearly impossible. No viable plans exist.

The real wealth of our nation has been squandered for the benefit of a select few. The beauty of the Republic has been corrupted by greed at the governmental level - nothing else can explain the exorbitant amounts spent on election campaigns.

Political races are no longer won by the best candidate - they are bought.

These changes haven't occurred overnight and they cannot be corrected overnight. But we must forge ahead and take bold steps to restore our City On The Hill. It will not be easy, but the alternative - continuing denial and inaction - would deal a much more devastating blow to our nation.

It is with this goal in mind that I present this plan for Peace and Prosperity.

### **1. We must immediately begin to withdraw our military forces from all foreign nations.**

There are currently hundreds of thousands of U.S. troops scattered around the globe. Their primary mission - defending America - is best carried out on our own soil.

The war in Iraq is a horrible miscalculation at best and a sinister ruse at worst. In any case, it is time to end the ongoing loss of life, own up to any mistakes we've made and safely turn over full control of Iraq to its citizens as soon as possible.

Regardless of how we view the reasons for entering Iraq or Afghanistan, our troops are there now and must be allowed to finish their job properly. Personnel and resources currently located in other places around the world should be shunted to Iraq and Afghanistan as needed, in order to accelerate a peaceful end to these two conflicts.

We must also end the highly volatile policy of supporting one tyrant to balance power against another. This very practice was instrumental in creating Saddam Hussein and others like him.

### **2. Once our forces have returned home, we must assign the bulk of our military to temporarily protecting our coastlines, borders and ports of entry from foreign threats until such time when these threats have diminished.**

We cannot begin to insure the safety of Americans here at home if we have no control over the ability of our self-proclaimed enemies to enter our nation.

We should take care not to restrict the flow of honest immigrants in search of honest work and a better life in America, but we must find a way to effectively police our borders.

When America has once again earned the respect and trust of the world, the need for such tight monitoring of our borders will naturally subside. We can then reduce the size and scope of our military in the interest of creating a technologically superior force capable of repelling any attack on our homeland.

citizenship, such as governmental aid, driver's licenses, and voting rights must be immediately denied for those unwilling to enter our nation legally.

### **3. We must immediately place a five-year freeze on all government borrowing and tax increases - with a similar moratorium on the Federal Reserve's ability to release any new currency beyond that which is needed to replace retired currency.**

These three simple actions will freeze the federal government's ability to cause the most unfair and sinister of all taxes - inflation. Our currency system allows the government to effectively marginalize and devalue the labor of every single citizen - by over \$3500 this year alone for every working American.

While our economy settles in to a fixed currency supply, we can explore the virtues of once again backing our currency with a hard commodity and permanently restoring the value of American labor - the most important ingredient of America's past economic success.

### **4. We must immediately appoint a non-partisan Citizen's Commission to examine our participation in the United Nations, publicly report on the associated economic and social ramifications for the American people, and make recommendations to Congress and the President for consideration.**

In light of recent reports regarding scandals in the United Nations, this action has become even more important. America must not associate its public policies or funds with any corrupt organization. We must always take the high road in all affairs. This is the primary duty of the most powerful nation on earth.

### **5. We must immediately re-evaluate our foreign trade policies by subjecting every nation to a continuous and fair litmus test consisting of standards of freedom, humanity and economics.**

Nations who engage in human rights violations or enslaving socio-economic agendas should not profit from participating in the American market nor benefit from American tax dollars.

The only logical path to healthy and peaceful international relations is through free and fair trade with similar thinking free nations. A military withdrawal from all other nations will go far in paving the road toward this goal.

### **6. We must immediately place an indefinite freeze on all foreign and corporate aid by the federal government.**

Those who profit from such aid will no longer have any reason to lobby government officials for special favors and our elected